

**California Regional Water Quality Control Board
San Diego Region**

Notice of Public Workshop

San Diego Municipal Storm Water Permit Renewal

Regional Board Workshop
Wednesday, September 14, 2005, 9:00 AM
California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region
Regional Board Room
9174 Sky Park Court, Suite 100
San Diego, CA 92123-4340

This workshop will be conducted as an agenda item of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region's (Regional Board) regularly scheduled meeting on September 14, 2005.

WORKSHOP PURPOSE

This public notice is to inform interested persons that the Regional Board will conduct a public workshop on the re-issuance of Order No. 2001-01, the San Diego Municipal Storm Water Permit (Permit). The purpose of the public workshop is to provide information to the Regional Board members on the San Diego County municipal storm water program in general, as well as the anticipated key topics of the Permit re-issuance. The existing municipal storm water permit will expire February 21, 2006. On August 25, 2005, the County of San Diego, on the part of the San Diego Copermittees, submitted a Report of Waste Discharge in application for the re-issuance of the municipal storm water permit. The public workshop is being held to facilitate information exchange; the Regional Board will not be taking action during the workshop.

WORKSHOP SCOPE

The focus of the workshop is on the key topics of the Permit re-issuance that have been identified by the Regional Board. The key topics to be discussed at the workshop are areas of the Permit that need improvement for effective regulation of storm water. These topics have been identified by the Regional Board based upon review of the current Permit, review of the Copermittees' programs, review of the Copermittees' Report of Waste Discharge, and meetings with the Copermittees. The key topics are as follows:

- Monitoring of urban runoff and receiving water quality;
- Copermittee assessment of the effectiveness of their programs;
- Management of water quality issues on a watershed basis (Watershed Urban Runoff Management Programs (WURMPs));

- Management of urban runoff from new development (Standard Urban Storm Water Mitigation Plans (SUSMPs)); and

Following this public workshop, the Regional Board will draft and release a tentative Permit. After its release, interested parties will be provided the opportunity to provide oral and written comments on the tentative Permit. The Regional Board will respond to all comments on the tentative Permit that are received. For this reason, written responses to comments at this September 14, 2005 public workshop will not be provided.

WORKSHOP PROCEDURE

The workshop will begin with a presentation by the Regional Board. The Copermittees will also be provided the opportunity to make a group presentation. Interested parties will then be allowed time to provide comments. Oral testimony may be limited to 5 minutes or less for each interest party, depending on the number wishing to be heard. Parties with similar concerns or opinions are encouraged to choose one representative to speak.

OTHER INFORMATION

Copies of related information are available online at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/programs/sd_stormwater.html

Copies of related information are also available at the Regional Board office or by contacting 858-467-2952. Questions regarding the workshop should be directed to Phil Hammer (858) 627-3988 or Bob Morris (858) 467-2962.


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